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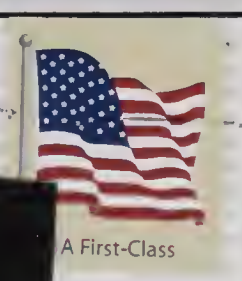

National Scrip Collectors Association

The **National Scrip Collectors Association** was officially organized on October 21, 1972 in Fayetteville WV. The objectives and purposes of the organization are to promote the collection of coal company scrip and related tokens, to cultivate good relations between collectors of scrip tokens, and to encourage the study and research of the history of coal mining companies as it relates to the usage of scrip tokens.

In the late 1970's the scope of the **NCSA** was broadened to include tokens from other industries; including lumber, phosphate, hard rock, limestone, copper, gold & silver, brick & clay, cotton & textile, paper, iron & steel, agricultural, and others.

The first issue of ***Scrip Talk*** was published in 1965, and it continues today as the official newsletter for members of the **NSCA**. It exists not only as a source of information for its members, but as a forum where they can share items of interest. Please feel free to submit or suggest articles for future publication.

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President's Column

I don't like to say, "I told you so," but for those of you who were not able to make it to the Fall Show in Cumberland Gap, you missed a good time! We had a great time, the largest number of members in attendance in many years (from California to North Carolina), a bunch of new scrip (including at least one entire new set), a great crowd of walk-in members of the public (including a whole bunch of new members), wonderful food, and great Bluegrass music. We hope everyone had a good time, and we would appreciate your constructive suggestions so that we can improve planning for our future meetings.

A new development at the Gap was the return of our friend from the Golden State, Bill Fugara of California, who has agreed once again to serve as our New Finds Chairman. Bill will be coming forward with a new column and listings of new pieces, and I encourage you to send Bill your new foils, and/or accurate photographs. More to come on this.

The Board meeting in Cumberland Gap selected Beckley, West Virginia as the site for our Spring meeting, and we will be announcing dates and hotel information in future newsletters. Let's all get ready for wild, wonderful West Virginia in the Spring!

STEVE CAWOOD

1902

Barthell Coal Mining Camp

New member Richard Kroger operates this historic, restored mining town which operated as part of the Stearns Coal & Lumber Company. Visit the site at:

www.barthellcoalcamp.com

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Delivery Dilemmas

We don't have correct addresses for these members, who's issues of Scrip Talk keep coming back. Please contact us by the information shown on page 2 if you can help.

Ed Gaunt Eric Miller Joe Olfano

Scenes from the Fall 07 Scrip Show

Cumberland Gap, KY

Special thanks to new member Gary Carter

Thank you for bidding. Hope you find something here that you need

JACK CHAPMAN'S THIRTY-DAY SCRIP AUCTION

Starting Date 10/15/07 **Ending Date 11/15/07**

Lot #	Scrip #	Company and Town	R rating	Condition	Min. bid
1	KY 297-E100	Big Jim Coal Co., Blanche, Ky	R-9	fine	$45.00
2	KY 1089-F50	By Product/ Elkhorn Coal Co., Garrett, Ky	R-10	very fine	$75.00
3	KY 1635-C25	Perkins-Harlan Coal Co., Liggett, Ky	R-8	very fine	$30.00
4	KY 1897-H10	Kenton Evans Coal Co., Middlesboro, Ky	R-8	good	$30.00
5	KY 183-A5	Warfield Coal Corporation, Beauty, Ky	R-9	fine	$55.00
6	KY 2857-A5	Mitchell-Willis Coal Co., Typo, Ky	R-10	very fine	$75.00
7	KY 151-B500	Fordson Coal Co. (Banner Fork, KY)	R-4	very fine	$40.00
8	KY 151-B10	Fordson Coal Co. (Banner Fork, KY)	R-7	good	$40.00
9	KY 151-B5a	Fordson Coal Co. (Banner Fork, KY)	R-7	good	$30.00
10	KY 151-B1a	Fordson Coal Co. (Banner Fork, KY)	R-4	good	$10.00
11	KY 1857-A1	Fordson Coal Co. Pondcreek Stores (McVeigh, KY)	R-8	good	$30.00
12	KY 1835-F10	Alma By-Product Coal Co. (McCarr, KY)	R-8	good	$15.00
13	KY 1835-D1	New Alma Coal Company, McCarr, Ky	R-7	fine	$15.00
14	KY 2223-C100	Dalton Stores, Inc., Pikeville, Ky	R-7	fine	$15.00
15	KY 475-B10	Kentucky Eagle Coal Co., Carbon Glow, Ky	R-8	fine	$45.00
16	KY 475-B5	Kentucky Eagle Coal Co., Carbon Glow, Ky	R-8	fine	$45.00
17	KY 185-B10.00	Beaver Dam Coal Co. Store/ Taylor (Beaver Dam,KY)(Bi-Metal)	R-8	fine	$55.00
18	KY 2285-A25	High-View Mining Co., Inc., Prentiss, Ky	R-9	fine	$55.00
19	KY 1851-C5a	McHenry Coal Co., McHenry, Ky	R-10	fine	$75.00
20	KY 2267-B5	Greenville Coal Co., Powderly, Ky	R-9	good	$55.00
21	KY 2677-H10	Eastern Coal Corporation, Stone, Ky	R-4	good	$5.00
22	KY 2677-H5	Eastern Coal Corporation, Stone, Ky	R-3	good	$5.00
23	KY 2185-A100	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Path Fork, Ky	R-7	good	$15.00
24	KY 2185-A50	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Path Fork, Ky	R-6	good	$10.00
25	KY 2185-A25	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Path Fork, Ky	R-5	good	$10.00
26	KY 2185-A10	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Path Fork, Ky	R-5	good	$10.00
27	KY 2185-A5	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Path Fork, Ky	R-3	good	$5.00
28	KY 2185-A1	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Path Fork, Ky	R-6	good	$10.00
29	KY Merchant 25¢	McReynolds Bros., Quality, Ky	U/L	good	$20.00
30	KY Merchant 1.00	F.T. Burke, Junction City, Ky	U/L	good	$20.00
31	KY Merchant 1.00	M.S. Qualls & Co. (Olive Hill, KY)	U/L	good	$20.00
32	KY Merchant 25¢	M.S. Qualls & Co. (Olive Hill, KY)	U/L	good	$20.00
33	KY Merchant 1.00	Otto Atherton, Livermore, Ky	U/L	good	$15.00
34	KY Merchant 10¢	Otto Atherton, Livermore, Ky	U/L	good	$10.00
35	KY 525-B500	Felker Brothers (Charleston, KY)	R-8	fine	$20.00
36	KY 525-B100	Felker Brothers (Charleston, KY)	R-6	fine	$10.00
37	KY 525-B25	Felker Brothers (Charleston, KY)	R-6	fine	$10.00
38	KY 525-B5	Felker Brothers (Charleston, KY)	R-6	fine	$10.00
39	KY 1169-B5	Wilson-Berger Coal Co., Grays Knob, Ky	R-8	good	$15.00
40	KY 2999-A5	Inland Steel Company, Wheelwright, Ky	R-7	good	$15.00
41	KY 841-I5	Ernest Turner, Drift, Ky	R-7	good	$10.00
42	KY 841-K10	E.S. Myers, Drift, Ky	R-6	fine	$10.00
43	KY 1535-B10	Clover Fork Coal Co., Kitts, Ky	R-5	fine	$6.00
44	KY 2281-B100	Premium Coals, Inc. Premium, Ky	R-6	fine	$10.00
45	KY 2281-D1	Premium Coals, Inc. Premium, Ky	R-8	fine	$15.00

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46	KY 335-B100	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Bonnyman, Ky	R-6	fine	$15.00
47	KY 609-A100a	Mary Helen Coal Corp., Coalgood, Ky	R-5	fine	$15.00
48	KY 609-A10	Mary Helen Coal Corp., Coalgood, Ky	R-8	fine	$15.00
49	KY 609-B5	Mary Helen Coal Corp., Coalgood, Ky	R-4	fine	$10.00
50	PA 369-A100	Kiskiminetas Supply Co., Brenizer, Pa	R-5	very good	$10.00
51	PA 1913-D100	Kiskiminetas Supply Co., Millwood, Pa	R-4	very good	$10.00
52	PA 2505-A100	Kiskiminetas Supply Co., Saltsburg, Pa	R-8	mint	$20.00
53	TN Merchant 5.00	Leland Smith, Churchton, Tenn	U/L	mint	$15.00
54	TN 859-C500	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Eagan, Tenn	R-8	good	$20.00
55	TN 2979-B100b	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Westbourne, Tenn	R-7	good	$15.00
56	TN 2979-B10a	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Westbourne, Tenn	R-6	good	$10.00
57	TN 2979-B5a	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Westbourne, Tenn	R-6	good	$10.00
58	TN 2475-A100	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Royal Blue, Tenn	R-7	fine	$15.00
59	TN 2475-A50	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Royal Blue, Tenn	R-7	fine	$15.00
60	TN 2475-B25	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Royal Blue, Tenn	R-7	fine	$15.00
61	TN 2475-A10	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Royal Blue, Tenn	R-6	fine	$10.00
62	TN 2475-A5	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Royal Blue, Tenn	R-6	fine	$10.00
63	WV 899-C25	Houston Coal & Coke Co., Elkhorn, W. Va.	R-7	fine	$20.00
64	WV 1559-A10b	Empire Coal & Coke Co. (Landgraff, WV)	R-7	good	$15.00
65	WV 1341-A10	Island Creek Stores, Holden, W. Va.	R-7	good	$20.00
66	WV 967-C10	Cleveland Cliffs Iron Co. (Ethel, WV)	R-9	good	$25.00
67	WV 259-A5	Big Creek Store Co., Big Creek, W. Va.	R-9	very good	$25.00
68	WV 165-C100	Pond Creek Pocahontas Co. (Bartley, WV)	R-8	fine	$25.00
69	WV Exploder P24a	Pond Creek Pocahontas No. 1 (Bartley, WV) one stick powder	D	fine	$20.00
70	WV Exploder P25a	Pond Creek Pocahontas No. 3 (Bartley, WV)one stick powder	E	fine	$25.00
71	WV Exploder P26a	Pond Creek Pocahontas No. 4 (Bartley, WV)one stick powder	E	fine	$25.00
72	VA Exploder J29	Jewell Ridge Coal Corp. (Jewell Valley, VA) 5 Powder	E	fine	$15.00
73	VA Exploder J32	Jewell Ridge Coal Corp. (Jewell Valley, VA) 3 Squibs	E	fine	$15.00
74	VA 1118-I5	Peerless Coal Corporation, Glamorgan, Va	R-9	fine	$25.00
75	VA 1887-B5	Merrimac Anthracite Coal Corporation (Merrimac Mines, VA)	R-10	very fine	$50.00
76	VA 2255-R50	PCC Co., Inc. Pocahontas Colliery (Pocahontas, VA)	R-10	very good	$75.00
77	VA 2255-R10	PCC Co., Inc. Pocahontas Colliery (Pocahontas, VA)	R-10	good	$50.00
78	VA 2807-B25	Clinchfield Coal Corporation (Toms Creek, VA)	R-10	good	$75.00
79	VA 2807-G500	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Toms Creek, Va	R-6	very good	$15.00
80	VA 2807-D100	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Toms Creek, Va	R-7	good	$15.00
81	VA 2807-D50	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Toms Creek, Va	R-5	good	$5.00
82	VA 2807-D25	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Toms Creek, Va	R-4	good	$5.00
83	VA 333-C10	Blue Diamond Coal Co., Bonny Blue, Va	R-4	good	$5.00
84	VA 2495-V500	The Virginia-Lee Company, St. Charles, Va	R-7	very good	$15.00
85	VA 2495-V50	The Virginia-Lee Company, St. Charles, Va	R-4	very good	$5.00
86	AL 1116-B500	Davidson Coal Co., Gintown, Ala.	R-10	very good	$50.00
87	AL 1116-A100	Davidson Coal Co., Gintown, Ala.	R-10	very good	$50.00
88	AL 2427-A5	Davis Creek Coal & Coke (Rockcastle, AL)	R-9	very good	$30.00
89	MI Merchant 1.00	Peterman Stores Co. (Mohawk, MI) Ingle 1914	U/L	fine	$10.00
90	MI Merchant 10¢	Peterman Stores Co. (Mohawk, MI) Ingle 1914	U/L	very good	$5.00

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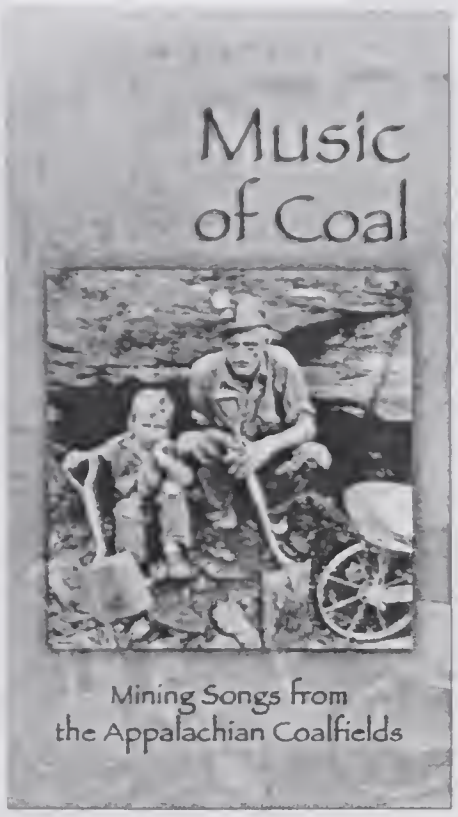

The Music of Coal

The Lonesome Pine Office on Youth, in Big Stone Stone Gap, Virginia, has released a two-CD set "Music of Coal: Mining Songs from the Appalachian Coalfields." Two years in the making, the set contains 48 songs addressing various aspects of coal mining history and culture, including black lung, union organizing, environmental impacts and the contribution of coal to the national economy. The CDs are accompanied by a richly detailed book of liner notes with striking historical photographs.

"This has been a collaborative effort involving many people in the Wise County area and noted experts across the country," said Paul Kuczko, director of the LPOY. "We've assembled more than two hours of music that truly gives the flavor of our coal mining heritage."

According to Jack Wright, who produced the CDs and wrote the liner notes, the musical collection is a "hybrid" of old and new songs—some previously recorded, others produced specifically for this project. "We chose some songs that came out previously on independent labels and may not have been well known, but are vital in telling original stories from the heart of the coalfields. We have well established artists represented, like Ralph Stanley, Dwight Yoakum, Natalie Merchant, Tom T. Hall, Blue Highway & the Carter Family."

For Wright, the Music of Coal project was a chance to delve more deeply into the history of his native region and to discover archival photographs and recordings that had been "lost" or overlooked. For example, he became interested in the work of John "Ed" Sturgill, a well known musician around the town of Appalachia who died in 1965. Wright tracked down Sturgill's daughter, Sally Sturgill Gibson, who sent him a post card of her father playing his banjo in the outdoor drama "Trail of the Lonesome Pine." He also learned that Ed Sturgill had sent a tape of his original music to famed folklorist Alan Lomax. The tape eventually ended up at the Lomax archive, which made shared it with Wright.

"It was a thrill for me to be able to give her a copy of her dad's music. She had no idea that the tape existed and got to hear her father's voice and music forty years after he'd passed away. That was one of the many joys of producing this project," Wright said.

The CD set and book can be purchased for $35 at the Lonesome Pine Office on Youth at 219 Wood Ave E, Big Stone Gap, VA 24219. It may also be ordered through the website www.lpoy.org or by calling the office at 276-523-5064 ext. 10.

Submitted by NSCA member Charles Perry

Appalachian Scrip & Token Show

The Appalachian Scrip & Token *Buy, Sell, & Trade Show* will be at Perry Memorial United Methodist Church in Shady Spring, WV, on Saturday, October 27; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bring a friend—everyone is welcome!

IKO-TAMS Token & Medal Show

The Indiana-Kentucky-Ohio Token & Medal Society will hold it's 30th annual show at the county fairgrounds in Wapakoneta, Ohio on October 12 & 13. For more info contact Dale Wilges at 419/657-2331 or tokenguy@ohiolink.net.

Resources from the NSCA

Edkins Catalogue of United States Coal Company Scrip

Volume 1, Third Edition

This 380 page hardcover book lists almost 9000 pieces of scrip. Information includes the company that issued the piece, denominations issued in the series, material the piece is composed of, diameter, shape, visual representation of any cut-out in the piece, and a rarity rating that gives a suggested value.

Issued by the ***NSCA***, this is the recognized guide for collecting and valuing scrip. Volume 1 lists scrip from 36 states, not including West Virginia which is the subject of Volume 2. This is the latest edition and also includes a wealth of information about the history of scrip. Sections include: Early Coal History; Scrip Heritage; How Scrip was Used; Fakes; and a look at the makers of scrip. ***MEMBER COST: $35 + $4 shipping***

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This 370 page hardcover book lists over 7,400 pieces of West Virginia coal mine scrip. Information includes the company that issued the piece, denominations issued in the series, material the piece is composed of, diameter, shape, visual representation of any cut-out in the piece, and a rarity rating that gives a suggested value. The definitive guide to West Virginia scrip.

Issued by the ***NSCA***, this is the latest edition. Volume 2 lists scrip from West Virginia. This is the current edition and includes a wealth of information about the history and use of scrip, as well as the actual listings of individual pieces. ***MEMBER COST: $40 + $4 shipping***

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Not only is the value and complete description of each denomination of scrip individually listed, but many companies have a short paragraph about their history of operation, the facilities they owned, or the amount of track laid by the company. A wealth of information for the lumber token collector. ***MEMBER COST: $40 + $4 shipping***

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WANTED: WEST VIRGINIA MERCHANT TRADE TOKENS, Lumber Tokens, and Greenbrier County Coal Scrip. Send Description and price wanted. Donald Clifford, P.O. Box 65, St. Albans, WV 25177 cliff635@aol.com +

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